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1. The reply filed on 06 November 2006 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s):

The reply is not fully responsive to paragraphs 3(a), 3(c) and 5(e) of the prior Office Action filed 05 July 2006.

With respect to paragraph 3(a), while all of the questioned reference signs have been removed from the figures, the lead lines associated with most of these reference signs have not also been removed, and therefore the reply is not fully responsive to the objection(s) raised in this paragraph. Additionally, page 12 of the "REMARKS" states that "reference numeral 58 has not been removed from Figure 18. Instead, reference numeral 58 has been added to the specification in order to denote the flat coil of the voice coil motor as corresponding to reference numeral 58 (see line 25 on page 14 of the substitute specification)." The addition of reference numeral 58 to the specification is noted, however, upon looking at the replacement sheet for FIG. 18, reference numeral 58 has been removed from FIG. 18 (emphasis added). Thus, FIG. 18 still fails to comply with 37 CFR 1.84(p)(5) and the reply is not fully responsive to the objection(s) raised in paragraph 3(a).

With respect to paragraph 3(c), the requested correction has not been made nor has any reasoning been given for the alternative correction made by applicant. Thus, the reply is not fully responsive to the objection(s) raised in this paragraph.

With respect to paragraph 5(e), the requested correction to claim 11 has not been made nor has any reasoning been given for the lack of correction by applicant. Thus, the reply is not fully responsive to the objection(s) raised in this paragraph.

Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be bona fide, applicant is given ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

2. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Craig A. Renner whose telephone number is (571) 272-7580. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Tuesday & Thursday-Friday 9:00 AM - 7:30 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Hoa T. Nguyen can be reached on (571) 272-7579. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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